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While no fees are believed to be due, the Commissioner is authorized, as appropriate and/or necessary, to charge any fees (including any Rule 136(a) extension fees) or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0600. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed for that purpose.

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In response to the Office Action of February 22, 2007, please amend the above-captioned application without prejudice as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.